

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Hans P. Albrecht, et al.

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For: *ASPARTATE ESTER INHIBITORS OF INTERLEUKIN-1 $\beta$  CONVERTING ENZYME*

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Examiner: Leigh C. Maier

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This application is a continued prosecution application ("CPA") pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). In further response to the final Office Action (Paper No. 12) dated February 22, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Please delete page 76 and insert therefor replacement page 76 attached hereto (to change "-ethylsulfanylamino)" to "-ethylsulfonylamino)" in the name of the title compound of Example 2e).